

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 634
By Womack

A RESOLUTION to recognize Mr. Ronald Herschel Adcock, Sr.,
on the occasion of his retirement.

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that the members of this legislative body should honor those persons who in their years of work have performed with uncommon devotion and enthusiasm; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ronald Herschel Adcock, Sr. is one such estimable person who has served with probity for 28 years with the Tennessee Technology Center in Shelbyville; and

WHEREAS, the son of Robert Herschel and Mary Beatrice Smith Adcock, he is a lifelong member of the Hickory Hill community of Unionville; and

WHEREAS, Ronald graduated from Community High School, and earned a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Management from Middle Tennessee State University in 1963; and

WHEREAS, he received a Master's in Vocational-Technical Education in 1978, the first person to graduate from this particular master's program at MTSU; and

WHEREAS, from 1963-72, Ronald worked in the space program at the Redstone Arsenal; he began employment with the State Area Vocational-Technical School (currently known as the TTC Shelbyville) in 1972 as a drafting instructor; in 1976, Ron became TTC's Assistant Director and in 1992 was deservedly named Director; and

WHEREAS, as director of the Technology Center, Mr. Adcock oversaw the implementation of two programs, Truck Driving and Computer Operations Technology, a substantial increase in the number of programs offered at the center, including full-time and evening programs, record student enrollment, and the initiation of the Shelbyville Tennessee Technology Center Foundation; and

WHEREAS, Ron Adcock is also credited with initiating the entire TTC systemwide expansion and renovation project and bringing about articulation with the high schools and two-year colleges in the TTCS service area of the Tennessee Board of Regents; under his tenure, TTCS has experienced 100% placement of students along with the development and implementation of the first TTC Distance Learning Center; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adcock is an active and important part of the community and his profession, contributing his time and talents as a member of the Bedford County Chamber of Commerce's Board of Directors, Executive Committee, and Program of Work Initiative; and as a member of the Board of Directors for the First Community Bank, the Epsilon Pi Tau Honorary Industrial Arts Fraternity; and the Vocational-Technical Education Task Force of the Tennessee Collaborative for Educational Excellence; and

WHEREAS, he has served with unwavering dedication on the Calsonic North America Executive Advisory Board, as a chairperson and member of the Highland Rim Tech Prep Consortium, on the Mid-Tenn TBR Network, on the Private Industry Council of the Job Training Partnership Act, on the TTC systemwide Salary Study and Grievance committees, on the Council on Occupational Education Grievance Committee, on the SACS-COEI Implementation Committee, on the visiting teams of the Council on Occupational Education, and on the TTC systemwide Auto Body Curriculum Committee, where he served as chairman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Adcock exemplifies the spirit and allegiance to family and community that is characteristic of a true Tennessean; he has had the distinction of serving as president of the Huntsville, Alabama chapter of the Middle Tennessee State University Alumni Association,

and has participated in the Leadership Behaviors of Successful Administrator's Study conducted by the National Center for Research in Vocational Education; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of his many abilities and service to others, Mr. Adcock received the Bedford County Chamber of Commerce Outstanding Leadership Award for the year 2000; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Ron evinces his religious faith as an active member of the Hickory Hill United Methodist Church, where he has served with dedication as Treasurer, Song Leader, Sunday School Superintendent, and in various other positions too numerous to mention; and

WHEREAS, above and beyond his many accomplishments, Ron is also a skilled master woodworker, a piano player, and a farmer; and

WHEREAS, a gentleman wholly devoted to his family, Mr. Adcock is most fortunate to share love and companionship with his wife of 37 years, Juanita Beasley, their three children, Ronald Herschel Adcock, Jr., Randall Lynn Adcock, and Anita Renee Adcock Yoes; and two grandchildren, Kayla Brooke Adcock and Taylor Sloane Adcock; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career, Ron Adcock has demonstrated a remarkable ability to motivate others to reach their potential, winning the respect and admiration of his peers; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we extend to Mr. Ronald Herschel Adcock, Sr., of Unionville, our heartfelt wishes for a happy and fulfilling retirement, along with every success in his future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.